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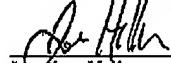
Applicants gratefully acknowledge the Examiner's indication that claims 6, 7, 12, and 13 contain allowable subject matter. In that regard, claim 1 has been amended to include the limitations of former claims 2, 5, and 6. Thus, claims 1 and 7 are now in condition for allowance. Similarly, claim 8 has been amended to include the limitations of former claims 11 and 12. Thus, claims 8 and 13 are now in condition for allowance. A new claim 20 has been added that merely limits claim 8 with the elements of former claim 9 such that no new issues are raised. Thus, new claim 20 is also in condition for allowance.

Applicants gratefully acknowledge the brief telephonic interview granted by the Examiner with Applicants' representative, Jonathan Hallman, on March 7, 2006. In that interview, Applicants pointed out that the specification had been amended to reflect that Figure 1 is also directed to a PLL incorporating Applicants' inventive charge pump such that the PLL itself is also new. In response, the Examiner indicated that Figure 1 need not be labeled "prior art" as previously requested.

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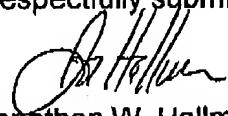
For the foregoing reasons, the pending claims are now in condition for allowance. If the Examiner has any questions or concerns, a telephone call to the undersigned at (949) 752-7040 is welcomed and encouraged.

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being facsimile transmitted to the Commissioner for Patents, Fax No. 571-273-8300 on the date stated below.


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